

**JENKINTOWN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
FOURTH OF JULY
PARADE
P.O. BOX 2310 JENKINTOWN, PA 19046**

DEAR NEIGHBOR:

THE JENKINTOWN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT IS ONCE AGAIN PROUD TO SPONSOR THE 41ST ANNUAL 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION. THIS YEAR, THE FESTIVITIES WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY, JULY 4TH, 2004 AT 1:00 P.M. WITH A RAIN DATE OF MONDAY, JULY 5TH, 2004 AT 10:30 A.M.
THE PARADE SHALL CONSIST OF A COLOR GUARD, FIRE TRUCKS AND SEVERAL BANDS. ALONG WITH LOCAL COMMUNITY GROUPS. PLEASE DECORATE YOUR CHILD'S BIKE AND HAVE THEM RIDE ALONG IN THE PARADE! AFTER THE PARADE, THE BANDS WILL PLAY, AND THE BIKES WILL BE JUDGED FOR THE BEST DECORATED. AND OF COURSE WE WILL BE SERVING HOT DOGS AND COLD DRINKS FREE OF CHARGE!

THE PARADE WILL BE TAKING A NEW ROUTE THIS YEAR, IT WILL START AT THE TOWN SQUARE AND GO DOWN GREENWOOD AVE. TO FLORENCE AVE. UP FLORENCE TO WEST AVE. UP WEST AVE. AND BACK TO THE TOWN SQUARE WHERE WE WILL BE SERVING HOTDOGS, AND BEVERAGES, AND JUDGING THE BIKES.

THIS YEAR WE ARE SORRY TO INFORM YOU THAT DUE TO THE SCHOOL DOING THE ATHLETIC FIELDS OVER THERE WILL BE NO GAMES, BUT WE WILL BE GIVING PRIZES FOR THE BEST DECORATED BIKE, AND WE WILL ALSO BE HAVING A PEANUT SCRAMBLE FOR THE LITTLE ONES, AT THE TOWN SQUARE AT THE END OF THE PARADE.

THE JENKINTOWN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT CONSIST OF THE PIONEER FIRE COMPANY #1 AND THE INDEPENDENT FIRE COMPANY #2. THIS ALL VOLUNTEER DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN SERVING THE BOROUGH SINCE 1884 AND 1889 RESPECTIVELY. THE DEPARTMENT IS PRESENTLY WORKING WITH BOROUGH COUNCIL TO PURCHASE A NEW LADDER AND A NEW PUMPER. THIS EQUIPMENT IS PURCHASED AND MAINTAINED THROUGH YOUR TAX DOLLARS, ALTHOUGH THE DEPARTMENT IS MANNED TOTALLY BY VOLUNTEERS.

DURING 2003, THE JENKINTOWN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT RESPONDED TO 281 FIRE CALLS AND SPENT OVER 200 HOURS AT THESE EMERGENCIES. THOSE 200 HOURS DO NOT INCLUDE THE THOUSANDS OF HOURS SPENT ON TRAINING. YOUR VOLUNTEERS LEAVE THEIR HOMES, JOBS AND FAMILIES AT ALL TIMES OF THE DAY AND NIGHT AND IN ALL KINDS OF WEATHER TO PROTECT YOU, YOUR HOMES AND BUSINESSES.

THIS 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION IS SPONSORED ENTIRELY THROUGH YOUR DONATIONS. THIS IS THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS ONLY FUND RAISER.

THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT TO OUR COMMUNITY. BY SENDING YOUR TAX DEDUCTIBLE DONATIONS IN THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE, YOU ARE HELPING THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THE COMMUNITY IN WHICH WE LIVE AND WORK.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT THE 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION AND THANK YOU FOR ALL OUR SUPPORT!

SINCERELY THE JENKINTOWN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT